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The Colleges Visiting Lecturers Series
invite you to a reading by

Plains Cree writer

Louise Bernice Halfe

In *Blue Marrow* (McClelland & Stewart, 1998) a contemporary narrator, a Cree woman, draws into her own story the poignant history of her ancestors and the Europeans they tragically welcomed into their lives. Louise Bernice Halfe's poems celebrate the inheritance from generations past. Her vivid characters include both actual and spiritual portrayals of grandmothers as well as Native men and women, fur traders, Jesuits and Métis. With reference to the title, there is pain in the telling of the Louise Halfe's poems but there is joy and humor as well.

Louise Bernice Halfe's first book of poetry, *Bear Bones and Feathers* (Croteau, 1994), won the Milton Acorn Award for 1996 and was shortlisted for the Spirit of Saskatchewan Award, and the Gerald Lampert Award. Also known as Sky Dancer, Ms. Halfe was raised on the Saddle Lake Indian Reserve and attended the Blue Quills Residential School.

Date: Tuesday, February 2, 1999
Time: 12 –1 p.m.
Place: 2170 Bishop, Room 101

Information: 848-2373